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TO: High School Scholarship Coordinators and Counselors

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SUBJECT: 2008-09 Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Awards

The California Student Aid Commission (Commission) is pleased to announce that the 2008-09 federal Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program (Scholarship) recipients have been selected. We are pleased to offer 749 Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship awards to graduating high school seniors nominated by the April 30, 2008 deadline.

The federal award is \$1,500 per year, renewable for up to four years, and is subject to federal budget appropriations. For additional information on the program, including application and selection processes, please visit the Commission's Web site and select "Commission Programs," then "Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program."

To help streamline the award process and to give you the ability to inform your nominees, Commission staff is sending the award letters to you to distribute to the selected students at school award ceremonies or other end of the year events. These students will not receive a separate notification from the Commission and we appreciate you informing the students of their award status.

The Commission thanks scholarship coordinators and counselors for their work in nominating the top two qualifying student candidates for the Scholarship.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this Scholarship, please contact the Specialized Programs Operations Branch at (888) 224-7268, option 3 or specialized@csac.ca.gov, attention: Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship.

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